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DEPARTMENT PASS SECRETARY'S PARTY AND EMBASSY DAR ES
SALAAM

FROM SCHAUFEELE

E.O. 11652: XGDS-1

TAGS: PFOR, UK, US

SUBJECT: VISIT TO DAR ES SALAAM

1. SOME OF LONDON PRESS AND OTHER MEDIA ARE STATING THAT
I WILL BE MEETING WITH FIVE PRESIDENTS IN DAR ES SALAAM.
AS FAR AS I CAN TELL, THIS PURE PRESS SPECULATION, NOT
BASED ON ANYTHING WE KNOW FROM EMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM.

2. I BELIEVE, HOWEVER. THAT EMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM, WITH-
OUT INITIATING ANY INQUIRIES, SHOULD REMAIN ALERT TO ANY
INDICATION THAT THIS, IN FACT, BEING CONSIDERED. IN MY
OPINION IT WOULD BE HIGHLY UNDESIRABLE. WE HAVE DEALT
WITH PRESIDENTS INDIVIDUALLY AND, AT LEAST UNTIL
SECRETARY'S PLANS ARE FIRMER, WE SHOULD CONTINUE AS BEFORE

3. FURTHER COMPLICATING FACTOR WOULD BE THE PRESENCE OF
PRESIDENT NETO WHICH WOULD PUT USG IN EMBARRASSING PO-
SITION OF EITHER PARTICIPATING IN A MEETING WHICH IN-
CLUDES HIM, OR REFUSING TO MEET WITH PRESIDENTS UNLESS
NETO ABSENT. LATTER COURSE WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY HAVE
SERIOUS ADVERSE CONSEQUENCES FOR OUR EFFORTS REGARDING

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4. EMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM SHOULD ALSO BE ALERT FOR ANY
INDICATIONS THAT PRESIDENTS OR NATIONALIST LEADERS THEM-
SELVES WANT ME TO MEET WITH LATTER.

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